DEEP EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REGIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLAN 2022 - 2026



A Strategic Plan to Improve the Criminal Justice Needs for the DETCOG
Region

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Regional Profile



The Deep East Texas Council of Governments was established as the State Planning Region No. 14 in 1969 and is a voluntary association of local governments for Angelina, Houston, Nacogdoches, Newton, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity, Tyler counties and the Alabama Coushatta Nation, regionally known as Deep East Texas. Membership in the Deep East Texas Council of Governments consists of 12 counties, 36 cities, 50 school districts, 4 river authorities and 2 hospital districts.

The DETCOG Region has an estimated population of 397,129. The region covers 10,000 square miles and is primarily rural with only (1) of the (11) counties meeting the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Standards. Of the 10,0000 square miles; 20.53% are considered urban and 79.47% are considered rural. DETCOG is also home to a college that bears the name of the Founding Father of Texas.



Planning Team

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This Regional Plan was developed with the assistance and cooperation of the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee. The committee consists of individuals from various disciplines and represent the entire region. The information was gathered by a Public Safety Programs through a Criminal Justice Google Survey. This Survey was distributed to over 310 individuals and was posted on the DETCOG web site for 30 days. The information was reviewed by the CJAC for the purpose of narrowing the scope of research and data that are incorporated into the Plan. Some members have served in multiple capacities/categories.

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Executive Summary

This Regional Strategic Plan includes Angelina, Houston, Nacogdoches, Newton, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity, Tyler counties and the Alabama Coushatta Tribe, regionally known as Deep East Texas Council of Governments. Membership in the Deep East Texas Council of Governments consists of these 11 counties, 36 cities, 50 school districts, 7 soil and water conservation districts, 4 river authorities, 4 hospital districts and the Alabama Coushatta Nation.

The DETCOG Region has an estimated population of 414,425. The region covers 10,382 square miles and is primarily rural with only (1) of the (11) counties meeting the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Standards. Of the 10,382 square miles; 20.53% are considered urban and 79.47% are considered rural. The Deep East Texas Region also has the following demographics:

County	Total	Anglo	Black	Hispanic	Other
Angelina	86,395	54,351	13,872	22,540	2,736
Houston	22,066	15,162	6,373	2,937	546
Nacogdoches	72,466	41,089	13,193	15,655	2,529
Newton	12,217	9,428	2,022	782	409
Polk	51,320	35,528	5,554	8,272	1,925
Sabine	12,055	10,562	842	406	245
San Augustine	9,306	6,280	2,203	654	169
San Jacinto	31,826	23,102	3,351	4,589	784
Shelby	28,325	17,269	4,743	5,903	410
Trinity	16,416	13,077	1,573	1,444	322
Tyler	22,562	17,737	2,560	1,816	449

Total Regional Population: 397,129

Source Texas Health & Human Services; https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/chs/popdat/st2019.shtm

The average median income for the regions is \$35,592, and statistics show that 20.33% of regional residents live at or below the current state average poverty level.

This regional strategic plan is in created in accordance with current Interagency Cooperation Contract Regional Planning; Section CJ2; CJ2 between The Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office PSO/ Criminal Justice Division CJD and Deep East Texas Council of Governments Public Safety Programs DETCOG / PSP.

Planning Process

The Deep East Texas Council of Government's strategic plan is created with the assistance and dedication of the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee along with Community input throughout the DETCOG Region. A Google Survey was sent to over 422 stakeholders and it was also posted on the DETCOG webpage for 40 days. Media Releases were made to television and radio announcing the survey to the public by the Executive Director of DETCOG.

The survey asked participants to identify specific issues / needs within their community. The results were compiled and were used to create this Community Plan. The Strategic Planning Committee utilizing the compiled information and reviewed by the DETCOG Criminal Justice Advisory Committee. Together the DETCOG Public Safety Programs and the CJAC compiled the information into a regional document consisting of prioritized issues. The document was then shared with the DETCOG Executive Committee to provide input into the strategic planning process. The input process included dividing the CJAC into work-groups, to determine needs, service priorities and provided the opportunity for stakeholders to have input in the strategic plan strategies. This document represents the efforts of many in the Deep East Texas region that are concerned with addressing gaps in services which will ensure our communities to be safer places for citizens to live and work.

This Executive Summary lists the vision and mission as well as local priorities in each of the following areas; **Direct Victim Services**, **Juvenile Justice Services**, **Mental Health Services** and **Criminal Justice Services**.

Below are the results of the Google Survey in relationship with the Local Priorities;

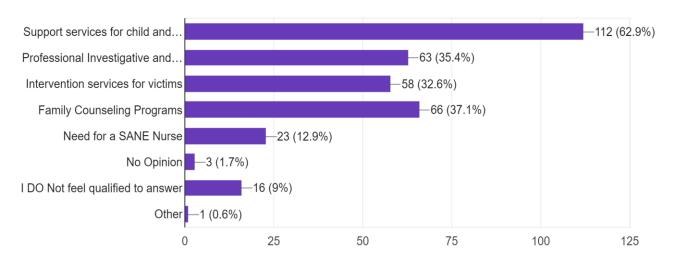
Direct Victim Services (VOCA & VAWA)

Local priorities:

- Support services for child and adult victims of assault and abuse (emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling, legal assistance, specialized case managers, SANE programs, victim education, job training, etc.)
- Victim Assistance Coordinator & Direct Victim Services
- Professional investigative and prosecution services related to victims of crimes.
- Intervention services for victims (general expansion of intervention services, parenting education on child abuse/sexual assault, continuation of victim services hotline, general violence education)
- Family Counseling Programs

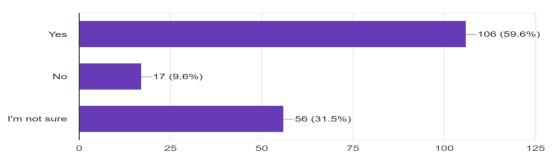
In your area what is the most important service for Victim Services?

178 responses



There is a need for Local Services for assistance for Victims of Human Trafficking?

178 responses



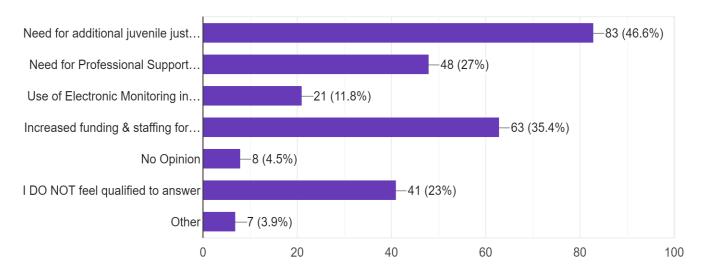
Juvenile Justice Services

Local priorities:

- Need for additional juvenile justice resources (mentoring, life skills training, parent education, apprenticeship and job training, after-school and tutoring, shelters, intervention and prevention programs and transportation).
- Need for professional support services (specialized law enforcement personnel training in juvenile law, treatment facilities for substance abuse non-residential and residential, mental health services non-residential and non-residential, faith-based counseling and peer support groups, sex-offender treatment and counseling services).

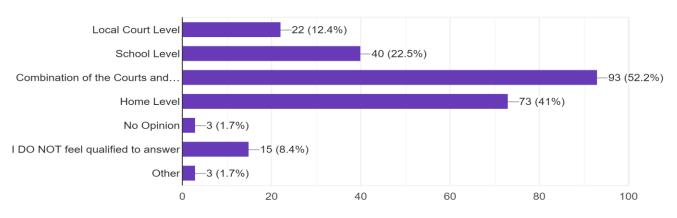
In your area What is the most important need of services regarding juveniles?

178 responses



In your area, the greatest need for Truancy Prevention Activities should be at the____?

178 responses



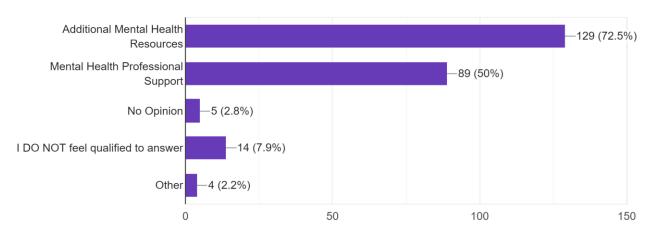
Mental Health Services

Local priorities:

- A need for additional mental health resources (transportation, transitional housing, coordination of service providers, crisis stabilization, substance abuse services, facilities to hold mental health offenders after an arrest, medication assistance programs that will cover psychological drugs).
- Mental health professional support (increase of mental health professionals for treatment, case managers at mental health clinics, special mental health law enforcement officers, personnel to handle mental health emergencies, additional peer providers, specialized training for veterans with mental health issue)

In your area, what is the greatest need for Mental Health Services?

178 responses



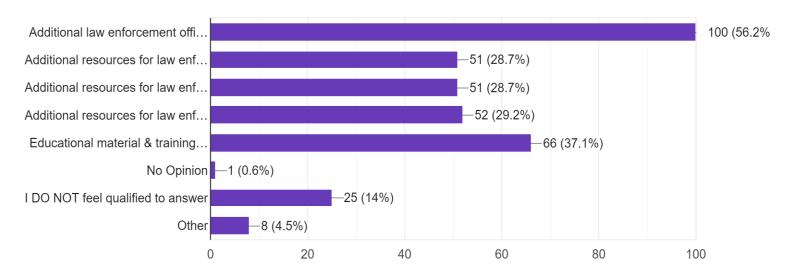
Criminal Justice Services

Local priorities:

- Additional law enforcement officers and manpower (including specialized officers)
- Additional resources for law enforcement officials (equipment (including patrol cars), training, drug courts, expansion of alcohol and drug abuse services)

In your area, What is the greatest need for Law Enforcement Services?

178 responses



WHAT ARE THE PRIORITIES IN OUR REGION?

n each of the areas surveyed, issues are identified and data is included that supports both the existence and severity of gaps as they are found in the DETCOG Region. Below the description and data are key points of the problems, the way the problems are being addressed, and strategically how responses to these community problems may be improved. These include the fields of Juvenile Justice, Truancy, Victim Services. Law Enforcement & Mental Health & Substance Abuse.









Juvenile Justice Priorities

Priority #1		
Problem Identified	Data	
Need for additional juvenile justice resources.	The Office of Juvenile Justice Programs (OJJDP) data indicated that most violent crimes including murder, violent sexual assault, robbery, aggravated assault, and simple assault peaks in the late afternoon. The Texas Juvenile Justice Department released in 2015 statistics for the State of Juvenile Probation Activity in Texas. It was reported in deep east Texas 732 youth participated in delinquency programs.	
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Potential Response to Problem

To promote higher education and personal empowerment in juveniles to deter their entry/reentry into the juvenile justice system:

- Mentoring activities activities designed to promote positive developmental assets in youth.
- Life skills training programs to better equip youth with the needed skills to handle peer pressure, fads and trends.
- Parent education programs to educate and inform parents on the pressures of dealing with teenage children, knowing the warning sights for associated alcohol and drug abuse, gang involvement, and other topics.
- Apprenticeship and job training programs to assist youth in making long-term career goals.
- After-school and tutoring programs to promote educational success and higher leaning.
- Shelters for battered, sexually abused, or runaway youth.
- Intervention and prevention programs that cover various issues facing youth.
- Transportation accessibility for juveniles.
- Recreational activities for youth to prevent criminal activity

Priority #2			
Problem Identified	Data		
Professional support services for juveniles.	Over 65% of juveniles referred to juvenile probation departments had personal transportation issues getting to counseling, community service sites, psychological assessments and other required appointments.		

Potential Response to Problem

Services that will offer:

- Electronic Monitoring in lieu of incarceration.
- Mental health services non residential and residential.
- Faith based counseling and peer support groups.
- Sex-offender treatment and counseling services.
- Intervention and prevention programs that cover various issues facing Youth, such as alcohol and drug abuse, dating violence, gang involvement, stranger safety, drop-out / truancy awareness.
- Treatment facilities for substance abuse non-residential and residential.

Victim Services Priorities

Priority #1

Data

Problem Identified

Need for support services, emergency shelters, intervention services, general resources, transportation, family services, counseling, and advocacy for victims

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vast majority of the region)

sexual assault. (This

of assault, abuse,

Statistics provided by the Women's Shelter of East Texas, Inc

The Women's Shelter of East Texas, Inc. (headquartered in Angelina County) is the only emergency shelter in nine of the eleven counties in the DETCOG Region. The shelter provides a safe place for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and their families, 24 hours a day, 365 days per year.

- In 2021, WSET received 1,777 crisis hotline and general information calls on the crisis hotline.
- In 2021, 328 unduplicated victims received emergency shelter from the WSET.
- In 2021, 821 unduplicated victims received outreach services from the WSET.
- In 2021, 65% of clients were victims of domestic violence, 25% were victims of both domestic violence and sexual assault, and 10% were victims of sexual assault.
- In 2021, WSET provided over 172,100 units of services to victims.
- The Women's Shelter of East Texas provides a Battering Intervention and Prevention Program (BIPP) that includes educational services to men who have been violent, abusive, and/or controlling in their intimate family relationships. By teaching abusers how to recognize abuse, accountability, and how to change their violent behaviors we are taking a more holistic approach to victim services. In 2021, the BIP program admitted 30 men to the group, 17 of those have successfully completed the program.
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holistic approach to victim services. In 2018, the BIPP program admitted 32 men to the group, 8 of those have successfully completed the program.

Statewide Statistics provided by National Coalition Against Domestic Violence issued in November 2020 Report

- 40.1% of Texas women₁ and 34.9% of Texas men₂ experience intimate partner physical violence, intimate partner rape and/or intimate partner stalking in their lifetimes.
- In 2020, it is estimated that 71,637 victims received services through family violence agencies funded through the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).3
- HHSC estimates that funded agencies received 281,816 emergency hotline calls in 2019.4
 - In 2020, 48% of victims seeking assistance were denied shelter due to lack of space, an increase over nine years of 28%.₁₂
 - On one day in 2020, domestic violence shelters in Texas served 5,950 victims of domestic violence and received 1,563 hotline calls. 948 requests for services on this day were unmet due to a lack of resources.15

*Source: https://ncadv.org/state-by-state

Potential Response to Problem

- The expansion of Emergency Shelter services for battered women and abused children.
- Continued Counseling with professionals including: parenting classes and preparenting classes, outpatient drug treatment, general counseling, support groups.
- Legal Assistance/services for victims for which include court accompaniment and education of the criminal justice procedures associated with the victim's case
- Specialized case managers to ensure that all needs of the clients are met and monitored in a professional manner.
- SANE programs for adults and children.
- Victim education needed to inform victims of their legal rights and responsibilities and to educate them on coping with the situation.
- Supervised visitation center to assist in safe encounters between co-parents and support to the parents and children.
- Job training programs to assist victims in becoming self-sufficient.
- Providing more resources for child victims.
- Providing more resources for victims of rape and sexual assault.
- Specialized services for elderly victims of family violence and sexual assault.
- Victim Advocacy programs for victims of violent crimes.

	Priority #2
Problem Identified	Data
Intervention services for victims (general	• In 2020, 136 Women were killed in 42 Texas Counties
expansion of intervention	In 2020 Family violence incidents responded to by Law
services, parenting	Enforcement: 195,315, Women and Girls comprised 72% of
education on child	victims of family violence
abuse/sexual assault,	
continuation of victim	• 48% of these clients were denied services due to "lack of
services hotline, general	space" which is an increase from 39% in 202 0 .
violence education)	
(This priority was	
addressed in a majority of	
the region)	

Potential Response to Problem

Continue support to maintain and expand direct victims' service programs to assist survivors of family violence and sexual assault in the DETCOG (Deep East Texas Council of Governments) region.

Priority #3		
Problem Identified	Data	
Professional investigative and prosecution services related to victims of crimes. (This priority was addressed in the a majority of the region)	•	The 2019 Uniform Crime Report documents 3845 violent crime offenses made in the region. Department of Family and Protective Services reported in 2019 3,288 cases investigated with 479 confirmed cases of abuse in cases involving youth.

Potential Response to Problem

The need for a prosecutor to be dedicated to the prosecution of violent crimes against women, assuring proper victim services are offered to this class of victim and providing legal assistance with protective orders. Without grant funding, Newton, Jasper and Tyler counties, in the DETCOG region would not have the capability to employ a specialized prosecution unit to handle cases involving violence against women.

Law Enforcement Priorities

Priority #1

Problem Identified

Need for additional law enforcement officers and man power in all agencies. (This is a priority that has been listed by almost all counties within the DETCOG Region)

Data

The information provided by the OOG / Criminal Justice Division recommends 2 officers per 1,000 person population. Staffing Rate: Texas Commission on Law Enforcement maintains a database of all officers licensed in the state of Texas which is updated in real time. Officer counts contained herein are as of August 31st 2020. These counts are multiplied by 1,000 and divided by the population of their respective jurisdiction to obtain staffing ratios per thousand residents. Within these statistics the majority of the counties have a shortage of recommended officers based on the State average. A March 2018 report by TCOLE indicates that there were a total of 1,108 peace officers in the Deep East Texas Region. Officers are unable to concentrate on specific crimes and they are required to investigate all crimes. Reduction of budget funding also brings budget challenges to agencies being able to purchase equipment and training funds are also affected. Agencies are unable to purchase specialized equipment and the lack of specialized training in a particular area which can impede the success of the officer solving the case.

Potential Response to Problem

- Increase and training of personnel in the use of specialized equipment to aid law enforcement in effectively combating crimes throughout the region:
- Increase number of law enforcement personnel in all jurisdictions throughout the region to have better coverage of communities.
- Increase in specialized officers to investigate crimes that are committed in high frequency (ie. drug offenses, gang violence, violence against women & children abuse/sexual assault, abuse against the elderly & computer crimes)

Additional resources for law enforcement officials (equipment; including marked patrol cars, training, drug courts, expansion of alcohol and drug abuse services, educational material for community)

Deep East Texas Council of Governments-Regional Law Enforcement Training

- In the 2017-2019 grant, a total of 2,704 training contact hours was obtained through intermediate and advanced training courses.
- In the 2020-2021 grant, a total of 144 commissioned officers received training through the Regional Law Enforcement program(s).

Cases involving burglaries and thefts require additional patrol in high crime areas. This requires constant upkeep of equipment including patrol vehicles, radios and other law enforcement equipment.

Potential Response to Problem

- At the decertation/recommendation of the Regional CJAC the DETCOG Public Safety
 Program will be authorized seek Regional Grants in the Criminal Justice Funding
 Stream to supplement the funding received through State Homeland Security
 Program to purchase communications equipment to be issued throughout the region.
- Allow Agencies to seek grants for Specialized Law Enforcement Officers and Equipment to investigate perpetrators who have become increasingly more defiant and violent towards Law Enforcement.
- Increase in funding for training and education of Law Enforcement and Probation Personnel, including specialized training indicative to specific types of criminal offenses.
- In the 2019–2021 grant, DETCOG restructured how it administered the Law Enforcement Training Grant and while DETCOG is still seeking its TCOLE training provider for in-service and training region wide, we have partnered within the region for reporting. In 2020-2022 period the Grant provided TCOLE Training to 1128 Peace Officers, Jailers and Dispatchers for a total of 80,168 Training Hours. This is almost quadruple the training provided in the past.

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Priorities

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Problem Identified

Data

A need for additional mental health resources

(transportation, transitional housing, coordination of service providers, crisis stabilization, substance abuse services, facilities to hold mental health offenders after an arrest, medication assistance programs that will cover psychological drugs).

Burke Center is the primary treatment resource for mental health services and is headquartered in Angelina County which is approximately 30- 50 miles from other counties in the DETCOG service area.

Burke Center served 12,895 East Texans in FY2020, which was a slight decrease, mainly due to COVID-19 Protocols and 2,834 were 18 years of age or younger.

Source: https://myburke.org/about/annual-report-fy2017/

Potential Response to Problem

Secure additional mental health resources such as:

- Transitional housing for mental health patients
- Coordination of Service Provider to Patients
- Crisis Stabilization Services
- Additional mental health professionals in the rural areas
- Additional facilities to hold mental health offenders after an arrest to ensure their safety

282,498 Hours Serving Clients

Mental Health 9,444 58%

Mental Health Crisis Services 3,548 22%

Developmental Disabilities 1,561 10%

Primary Care 938 6%

Early Childhood Intervention 737 5%

Equivalent to over 774 hours of work provided per day

\$45.9 Million Funding by Division

Developmental Disabilities \$14.3M 31%

Adult Mental Health \$12.9M 28%

Mental Health Crisis Services \$10.5M 23%

Children's Mental Health \$4.8M 11%

Early Childhood Intervention \$2.7M 6%

Primary Care \$0.7M 2%

Priority #2			
Problem Identified	Data		
Mental health professional support (increase of mental health professionals for treatment, case managers at mental health clinics, special mental health law enforcement officers, personnel to handle mental health emergencies, additional peer providers, specialized training for veterans with mental health issue).	Burke Center is the primary inpatient and outpatient treatment facilities/services in the COG service area. While Burk provides services to the entire 11-county region, most counties don't have access to on-site services and must refer clients to Lufkin, Livingston, Jasper or Nacogdoches Burke Center has part-time satellite officers in Crockett, San Augustine and Woodville. In 2019 opened a new larger outpatient facility in Nacogdoches and continues to provide services.		

Potential Response to Problem

- Increase the number of Mental Health Officers at each agency to deal with persons in crisis that encounter Law Enforcement Officers
- Increase training of Mental Health Officers at Law Enforcement Agencies while still maintaining Public Safety coverage for their jurisdictions

Who is Doing What?

ncluded below are resources identified by the DETCOG Public Safety Programs that are available to provide services that could potentially help in closing criminal justice gaps.

JUVENILE JUSTICE:

Agency	Agency Type	Description
Angelina County CSCD	Adult Probation	They provide community supervision services for the District & County Courts
Lone Star Legal Aid	Legal/local	Legal Aid Office/assist with civil cases for indigent plaintiffs & respondents.
Boys & Girls Club of East Texas	Non-Profit	Support for school aged children
Azleway	Non-Profit	Support for troubled adolescent males
Solid Foundation	Non-Profit	Educational support for at-risk youth
1 st Judicial Dist Juvenile Probation	Government	Support for youth on probation to Jasper, Newton, Sabine & San Augustine Counties
Angelina Co Juvenile Probation	Government	Support for youth on probation in Angelina County
Houston Co Juvenile Probation	Government	Support for youth on probation in Houston County
Nacogdoches Co Juvenile Probation	n Government	Support for youth on probation in Nacogdoches County
258 th & 411 th JD Juvenile Probation	Government	Support for youth on probation in Polk, Trinity & San Jacinto Counties
Shelby Co Juvenile Probation	Government	Support for youth on probation in Shelby County
Tyler Co Juvenile Probation	Government	Support for youth on probation in Tyler County
Camp Olylmpia	Local	Summer Camp for ages 7-16

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Camp Cullen	Local	Summer Camp
Broaddus ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Hudson ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Zavalla ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Central ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Lufkin ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Garrison ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Nacogdoches ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Cushing ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Woden ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Martinsville ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
San Augustine ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
San Jacinto ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Shephard ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Timpson ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/Truancy/Awareness program and protection
Woden ISD PD	Public School LE	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

Name of Agency	Agency Type	Description
Angelina County CSCD	Adult Probation	The CSCD provides services for the district and county courts
Lufkin Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Houston County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Crockett Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection

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Grapeland Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Lone Star Legal Aid	Legal/local	Local legal aid office/assist with civil cases for indigent plaintiffs & respondents.
Newton County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Newton Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and rotection
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San Augustine Co. Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
San Augustine Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Shelby County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Woodville Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Polk County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Nacogdoches Co. Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Nacogdoches Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Deep East Texas Council of Gov.	Regional Services	Law enforcement Training
Groveton Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement /awareness program and protection
Livingston PD	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Trinity Co Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement /awareness program and protection
Trinity County Jail	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement /awareness program and protection
Trinity County Constable Pct 3	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement /awareness program and protection
Trinity Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement /awareness program and protection

VICTIM SERVICES:

Name of Agency	Agency Type	Description
Kalin's Center CAC (Houston/Trinity	Co) Non-Profit	Provides forensic interviews and other direct services for Abused & Neglected Children Victims
Child Protective Services	State	Services for abused/neglected children.

Adult Protective Services	State	Services for abused/neglected adults
Houston Co. Attorney	Government	Victim Assistance support and advocacy through
Clark Psychological & Counseling	For-Profit	the justice system Counseling Services Consultation Services
Family Crisis Center of East Texas	Non-Profit	Emergency housing and other direct services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and their families. Also provide transitional housing
CASA of Sabine/Neches Region	Non-Profit	Provides trained volunteers to speak in court for child victims of abuse and neglect
CASA of the Pines	Non-Profit	Provides trained volunteers to speak in court for child victims of abuse and neglect
CASA of Deep East Texas	Non-Profit	Provides trained volunteers to speak in court for child victims of abuse and neglect
Trinity County Attorney	Government	Victim Assistance support and advocacy through the justice system
Janelle Grum Family Crisis Center	Non-Profit	Provides emergency shelter, transitional housing and other direct services to victims and their families
Harold's House CAC	Non-Profit	Provides support to child victims of sexual and physical abuse and their families through forensic interviewing, medical exams and counseling services
Tyler County Criminal Prosecutor	District Attorney	Provides victim assistance coordination
Christine's Place	Family Services	Supplies clothing needs for victims of family violence and residents of the Pineywoods Safehouse
Hospice Resale	Family Services	Supplies clothing needs for victims of family violence and residents of the Pineywoods Safehouse
Adult Learning Center	Education	Offers education to the victims of family violence and to the residents of the Pineywoods Safehouse
Love Inc.	Non-Profit	Emergency financial assistance
Methodist's Children's Home	Non-Profit	Children's Advocacy Center
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United Way	Non-Profit	Finance various community resources
Shelby Co CAC	Non-Profit	Provides support to child victims of sexual and physical abuse and their families through forensic interviewing, medical exams and counseling services

MENTAL HEALTH:

Name of Agency	Agency Type	Description
Burke Center	Mental Health Clinic	Mental Health, Mental Illness, developmental disability & early childhood intervention services
Angelina County CSCD	Adult Probation	Provides community supervision services for the district and county courts in Angelina County
Lufkin Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Houston County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
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Newton County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
San Augustine Co. Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
San Augustine Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Shelby County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Tyler County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Woodville Police Department	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection
Polk County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement	Law enforcement/awareness program and protection

Who Is Working with Whom?

Working together with the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and other local resources and representatives from throughout the 11 counties in the DETCOG Region, the DETCOG Public Safety Program will continue to seek funding sources which will provided programs which may be implemented to serve Crime Victims, Juveniles, and others who enter the Criminal Justice System as well as assisting Law Enforcement Agencies in obtaining additional personnel, training and equipment to better protect and serve the citizens in this region.

Where are we going from Here?

he DETCOG Public Safety Planning Staff works in conjunction with the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and other planning jurisdictions throughout the region to ensure the regular exchange of ideas and information. Individuals active in the planning process generally serve on many of these committees and share mutual concerns.

The DETCOG Public Safety Planning Team keeps open lines of communication with the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee to review this Plan and make necessary additions and deletions. At least one formal meeting of the entire group will be held each year but agency and community representatives are encouraged to review local plans and submit suggestions and changes via telephone or e-mail throughout the year to the DETCOG Public Safety Director. Drafts and annual updates of the Regional Plan are circulated by e-mail with requests for comments, changes, etc. Wherever possible, e-mail and online (virtual) meetings are used to reduce the need for in-person meetings, printing, postage, etc.

It is the intent of the Public Safety Programs to improve outcomes and close gaps for its stakeholders struggling with problems described in this DETCOG Regional Plan. Efforts are being made by DETCOG Public Safety Programs and organizations to address issues such as enhancing local funding by seeking and assisting with additional grant funding from multiple State and Federal Resources. To the extent that these funds are available, the DETCOG Public Safety Programs staff continues to encourage jurisdictions to provide programs that address the outlined focus areas and close the gaps that exist throughout the region.

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